

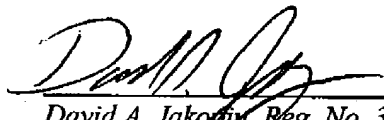
REMARKS

Claims 1-56 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of U.S. Patent 6,578,436.

Attached hereto is a terminal disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent 6,578,436 that overcomes the double patenting rejection. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is appropriate.

In view of the foregoing and because all objections and rejections have been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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